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At a luncheon February 27 in Sydney, Australia, heads of churches and members of the Convention City Committee met with Harold E. Westerhoff, general secretary of the World's Union, to make plans for the convention August 16-21. Chatting after the luncheon are (top photo, left to right) the Most Rev. Hugh R. Gough, Archbishop of Sydney; Mr. Westerhoff; Rev. J. B. Wilson, president, Baptist Union of New South Wales; and Rev. N. W. Lickiss, president, New South Wales Methodist Conference.

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from the General Secretary . . . .

"Give, and it will be given to you; good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

Luke 6:38

Dear Christian Endeavor Friend:

God has given much to you. Will you now give something to Him through Christian Endeavor?

We have just come through our 1962 Membership Mobilization, and we missed many of you. We needed you, too. Because we missed you and a number of others, we fell $2,600 short of our requirements. As we developed our goals for 1962, we counted on you and those others who did not enroll with an annual membership this year.

We are sure you would not want us to cut the program back. Retrenchment is not the order of the day. In fact, in the face of the crying needs of youth, we must advance, not retract.

Will you help me in an important task, that of demonstrating that we have the means to carry on the 1962 program. You can do this by sending in your $15.00 annual membership today. I know I can count on you. I shall be grateful.

Harold Westerhoff

The winners of the Albert H. Diebold Awards in the 1962 Citizenship Awards Program have been announced by Delno W. Brown, citizenship director of the International Society. Awards in this tenth annual citizenship competition will be presented during the International Summer Assembly at Huntington, Indiana. Winners were judged on a completed citizenship activity begun after March 1, 1961. Each activity was evaluated on the basis of group participation, goals established or achieved, the manner in which the project implemented the folder *"What Is Christian Citizenship?"* and Christian witness in the community. Each of the winning societies will receive a cash award as shown, plus an attractive plaque. Representatives of the winning groups will be introduced at a Citizenship Rally July 2, the opening night of the Assembly.

CITIZENSHIP WINNERS

1962 Top Honors In Citizenship Awards Program To Ontario Society

FIRST AWARD
00 in cash plus a grant (to a maximum of $200)
r the expenses of one or more youth representa-
es to attend the International Summer Assembly

gh School Christian Endeavor Society, Garrison Road United Brethren in Christ Church, Fort Erie, Ontario

SECOND AWARD
50 in cash plus a grant (to a maximum of $150)
r the expenses of one or more youth representa-
es to attend the International Summer Assembly

nior Christian Endeavor Society, United Presbyterian Church, Covington, Ohio

THIRD AWARD
$100 in cash

kota Christian Endeavor Society, Southwood Church of Christ, Columbus, Ohio

FOURTH AWARD
$75 in cash

nior High Christian Endeavor Society, Pleasant Grove Christian Church, Dallas, Texas

FIFTH AWARD
$50 in cash

nior Christian Endeavor Society, Grace United Church of Christ, Richland, Pennsylvania

RUNNERS-UP IN FINALS
$25 each in cash

(Listed alphabetically by state)

Christian Endeavor Society, Presbyterian Church, Pinson, Alabama

High School Christian Endeavor Society, Wylam Presbyterian Church, Wylam, Alabama

Christian Endeavor Society, Union Wesley A.M.E. Zion Church, Washington, D.C.

Young People's Christian Endeavor Society, United Brethren in Christ Church, Fort Wayne, Indiana

Senior High Christian Endeavor Society, Second Reformed Church, Kalamazoo, Michigan

Junior Christian Endeavor Society, First Church of Evans, Derby, New York

Senior Christian Endeavor Society, First Church of Evans, Derby, New York

Senior High Christian Endeavor Society, Second Reformed Church, Rochester, New York

Senior Christian Endeavor Society, Central Tabernacle, Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Junior High Christian Endeavor Fellowship, United Presbyterian Church, Camden, Ohio

Christian Endeavor Fellowship, United Presbyterian Church, Somerville, Ohio

Luther League, Christ's Lutheran Church, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania

Allen Christian Endeavor League, St. Matthew A.M.E. Church, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Young People's Christian Endeavor Society, Fairmount-Hoge Memorial Presbyterian Church, Richmond, Virginia

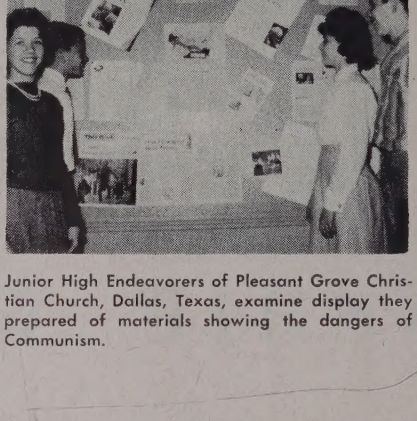
Christian Endeavor Society, Edgewood Christian Church, Roanoke, Virginia

Junior High Christian Endeavor Society, Westminster Presbyterian Church, Roanoke, Virginia

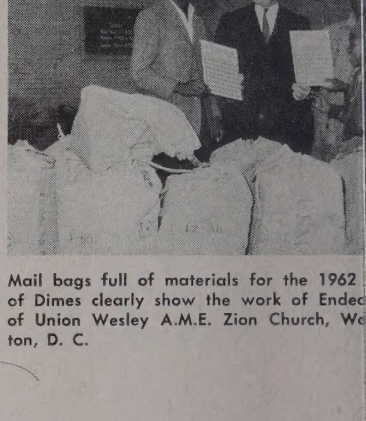
PLAQUES WILL ALSO BE PRESENTED TO EACH OF THE GROUPS LISTED ABOVE

winning citizenship projects

Covington (Ohio) Endeavorers with guests at their Citizenship Tea; Judge Carl Felger, speaker, at extreme left; Mrs. Laura Ruhl Miller, 1890 charter member, at right front.



Junior High Endeavorers of Pleasant Grove Christian Church, Dallas, Texas, examine display they prepared of materials showing the dangers of Communism.



Mail bags full of materials for the 1962 of Dimes clearly show the work of Endeo of Union Wesley A.M.E. Zion Church, Wa ton, D. C.

A STUDY of the operation of their local and provincial governments and of the influence of the Christian home and church in the life of a community or nation won for the High School Endeavorers of Garrison Road United Brethren in Christ Church, Fort Erie, Ontario, the coveted first prize.

This activity was divided into four parts —the January 7 society meeting featuring a message by a member of the township council on the responsibility of citizens in local government; a visit to a council meeting; a meeting (with Senior society members as guests) when their provincial member of parliament, George Bukator, addressed the group; and a Sunday evening service for the whole church on January 28.

Mr. Bukator, an evangelical Christian active in church as well as politics, emphasized the importance of a true Christian witness in every area of life.

At the January 28 service thirty minutes was given to a panel discussion of the meaning of Christian Citizenship. Three society members gave three-minute talks on "The Christian Home," "The Christian and Civic Responsibilities," and "The Christian and Race Relations." These three plus three qualified adults made up a discussion panel, the minister serving as moderator.

As a result of this activity, in which all members of the society participated, there has been a sustained interest in the society and its activities and increased interest in the local and provincial government operation.

A visit to the provincial parliament in Toronto when it is in session is planned by the group. Mr. Bukator has offered to serve as guide for the day.

Minister of the church is Rev. Burton Weber; Mrs. Weber is counselor of the society. The group, just organized last November, has 12 members ranging in age from 13 to 16.

A CITIZENSHIP SURVEY of Endeavorers past and present, climaxed by a Citizenship Tea, was the unique project of the Senior Society of the United Presbyterian Church in Covington, Ohio. For its efforts this group won second place honors.

The purpose was to learn how Christian Endeavor has helped develop Christian citizenship. Conrad Clippinger was chosen project chairman.

In January the members listed names of outstanding Christian Endeavorers and prominent persons in public life with a Christian Endeavor background. They wrote letters to each, enclosing a Citizenship Survey the group had prepared.

For the tea on February 4, a former county probate judge, Carl Felger, was speaker. Personal invitations were sent to long-time Endeavorers of the church. Two of these were able to attend, among the 35 present.

A summary of the survey forms was given at the tea. Many of the things listed as having outstanding meaning in Christian Endeavor are closely related to citizenship.

This society includes 12 members of Junior and Senior High school age. Minister of the church is Rev. Clair E. Beatty, who says this project has given members "a new awareness of the part Christian Endeavor can have in preparing them for citizenship responsibilities."

CITIZENSHIP ACTIVITIES directed by a four-member Citizenship Committee won third award for the Bykota Christian Endeavor Society of Southwood Church of Christ, Columbus, Ohio.

Included in the activities was planning and executing a citizenship rally for Teens for Christ (a city-wide group) on November 26. On December 17 "Democracy—the Reality and the Ideal" was discussed at the society meeting.

A one-minute spot announcement on the relationship between citizenship and Christian example was prepared for a local radio station; currently four more spot announcements are being written.

These activities were supplemented by sending holiday cookies to members away at school, a Christmas cheer collecti canned goods for the ill and needy, singing for the aged and at a nearby pital, and the collection of clothing toys for a mountain mission.

Minister of the church is Ellis W Mrs. Eleanor Tope and Mrs. Ger Baughman are sponsors.

WHICH CHOOSE YE—Christianit Communism? was the question by Junior High Endeavorers of Ple Grove Christian Church in Dallas, This group of 42 Junior High youth pl a study of Communism which took place honors.

On December 30 a special worksho held. Materials on the dangers of munism were assembled and displayed. winning poster in a contest was m graphed and distributed to more tha business establishments in the area. bers came one-half hour early each S during January for special studies. hundred copies of a pamphlet, "Com ism—A Disease," were given out in a shopping center.

Saundra Marshall is society pres Mary Frances McDonald is church a committee chairman. Mary Moffitt i of the sponsors; minister is Dr. A. A. man.

JUNIORS of Grace United Churc Christ, Richland, Pennsylvania, use theme of "Keep the Sabbath Day Hol their fifth place project. This group, a ly interdenominational, includes 45 chi ages from six to 12.

In an effort to prevent the showi movies on Sunday evening as a sour income for the local fire company, Juniors distributed doorknob tags wit message "VOTE NO Sunday Movies." final vote on the local referendum wa no, 104 yes. A local newspaper gives for the defeat to the doorknob-hanger paign over the weekend. The pastor,

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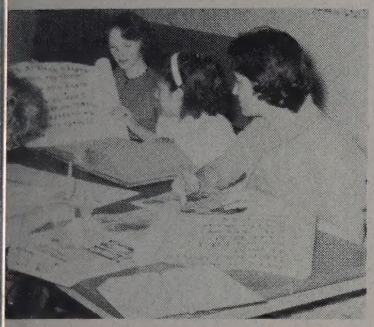


rials for Bible displays in the local library bank were prepared by Junior High En- orers of the United Presbyterian Church of den, Ohio.

Awards Program judges evaluating entries at Christian Endeavor Headquarters are (left to right) Rev. Harold E. Davidson, chaplain, Columbus Juvenile Diagnostic Center; Rev. Robert W. McQuilkin, minister of education, Worthington Presbyterian Church; Delno W. Brown, citizenship director; and Mrs. Golda M. Edmonston, member, Columbus City Council.

D. Loos, also helped by his sermons personal work.

ne of the sponsors, Ruth E. Bowman, , "It has helped our children to under- d that first they must stand for what is istian before they accept an issue just ause it is proposed by a worthwhile nization like our fire company."

VARIETY of citizenship projects were entered by the societies which received rds as runners-up in this year's com- tion.

COURAGING SALE of obscene litera- and the use of profane language was sen by youth of Fairmount-Hoge Memo- Presbyterian Church, Richmond, Vir- a. Included was preparation of posters local schools, a meeting on the evils of language and obscene literature, and ts to drug stores and newsstands to talk owners. Susan Kaufelt is secretary; e Goodman is counselor.

CITIZENSHIP RALLY for the Kalama- (Michigan) Christian Endeavor Union initiated and planned by the Senior h Society of Second Reformed Church, 125 attending. Robert Donia, society sident and project chairman, says, "Our vity called attention to the fact that th do care about their Christian respon- lities in the community."

AYER FOR GOVERNMENT LEADERS the theme of a Christian Citizenship gram sponsored by the Junior High En- vorers of Westminster Presbyterian urch, Roanoke, Virginia. Various mem- s took part in this meeting, reports Mrs. eph E. Pringle, the counselor.

WINDOW DISPLAY on Communism planned by High School Endeavorers Wylam (Alabama) Presbyterian Church S.) Because of an enthusiastic recep- , this display was duplicated in a large e in an adjoining town. Mrs. John M. drick, counselor, says that the group had a special program on Communism.

DEVOTIONAL MATERIALS in motels and nursing homes resulted from efforts of the Senior Society of First Church of Evans, Derby, New York. The 20 members, high school age, visited 15 motels and one nursing home. A total of 146 copies of the UPPER ROOM devotional guide were delivered, with a letter accompanying each one. Booklets for the nursing home were delivered in person. Lynn V. Schultz is society president; Carol Gitchel was committee chairman. Dr. Earle W. Gates is minister.

EMPHASIS ON THE BIBLE was the project of the Junior High Fellowship of the United Presbyterian Church, Camden, Ohio. Goals were to encourage Bible reading and the giving of Bibles at Christmas, and to learn how we got our Bible. Displays were placed in the Public Library and the local bank. Orders were taken for the purchase of Bibles and literature was distributed. Rev. and Mrs. Christian A. Tirre are advisors.

FAMILY TOGETHERNESS was the theme for Endeavorers of the Presbyterian Church of Pinson, Alabama. Parents were invited to a program on family devotions and families were asked to set aside one night a week as "Family Stay-at-Home Night." A prayer calendar was made, listing one family each day to be remembered. A window display was also set up in a local drugstore. Director of youth work is Mrs. Glenn Montgomery.

THE TRUE MEANING of Christmas was portrayed by an outdoor living nativity scene enacted by members of the Christian Endeavor Fellowship of the United Presbyterian Church, Somerville, Ohio. This group of ten members, ages 10 to 14, was organized late in 1961. All participated in the scene which was located on U.S. Highway 127. Rev. and Mrs. Christian A. Tirre are advisors.

BREAKING THE BARRIERS of religious misunderstanding was the unique project of the Senior Society of Second Reformed Church, Rochester, New York. This group was reorganized March 1961 with 15 members. After meeting with a priest, the group visited the chapel at a nearby Roman Catholic college. Following a meeting led by a rabbi, members visited the Temple and later played host to the Jewish Youth Fellowship for a special program. Barbara Alhart is secretary of the society.

SERVICES FOR THE DEAF were undertaken by the Luther League of Christ's Lutheran Church, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania. The pastor, Rev. George K. Bowers, reports this church is a center of services for the deaf. To help in this ministry 30 youth took the basic course in the sign language, with nine going on to advanced study. The League provides a fellowship hour for the deaf after the services. Members have also secured captioned motion pictures, shown free once a month. Another effort to help is a "sign language choir" which participates in the services.

VARIED PROJECTS were entered by the youth of Union Wesley A.M.E. Zion Church, Washington, D.C. Visits were made to new families in the neighborhood, telling of the church's youth program. A birthday party for older Endeavorers was held. Ten bags for Goodwill Industries were filled. Cards were sent regularly to the sick and each week one of these shut-ins received flowers. Much time was spent preparing 30,000 dime boards to be mailed to local merchants as part of the 1962 March of Dimes. For this service The National Foundation awarded the society a Certificate of Appreciation. Paul Leonard is president.

VARIED PROJECTS were also planned by the Allen Christian Endeavor League of St. Matthew A.M.E. Church, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Rose M. Hagan, Junior vice-president, prepared an essay on Christian Citizenship which outlines these efforts of the group: a campaign to recruit new members in the neighborhood; distributing fruit to shut-ins; taking toys at Christmas to the children's wards of a local hospital; and singing carols for the aged.

more about the winners

Preparing baskets of fruit for sick and shut-ins was one activity of the Allen League of St. Matthew A.M.E. Church, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

This window display on Communism and the Christian's responsibility was planned by high schoolers of Wylam (Alabama) Presbyterian Church.

MAKING CHRISTMAS more meaningful to those in the Children's Home was the project of the Young People's Society of Third Street United Brethren in Christ Church, Fort Wayne, Indiana. After preparing Christmas treats, the group visited the home and had a special program for the 50 children, ages 5 to 12. Elsie Miller is society president.

HELP FOR NEEDY families in the community was provided by Juniors of First Church of Evans, Derby, New York. Securing names from their minister, Dr. Earle W. Gates, the group helped one family with 12 members and another with 10. Food, clothing, and toys were provided, with special help at Thanksgiving and again at Christmas. Judy Oetinger is society president; Kathy Zook was in charge of the project. Counselors are Mrs. Earle W. Gates and Olive Wood.

PROJECT 7 was the name given to the efforts of the Senior Society of Central Tabernacle, Winston-Salem, North Carolina. This group of 20 (ages 13-24) chose to help a family of nine; the mother and seven children were all stricken with tuberculosis. Help was given at Thanksgiving and again at Christmas. Aid was also given to another family and to mentally retarded children in a local hospital. Kaye Bovender is chairman of the devotional committee.

DELEGATES TO THE VIRGINIA CONVENTION was the aim of the youth of Edgewood Christian Church, Roanoke, Virginia. By means of a Booster Day in the church, a rummage sale, and an evening of "Fun 'n Fashions" a total of $121 was raised. According to president Patty Mac Martin, this helped send 10 members to Bridgewater College for the convention August 7-11.

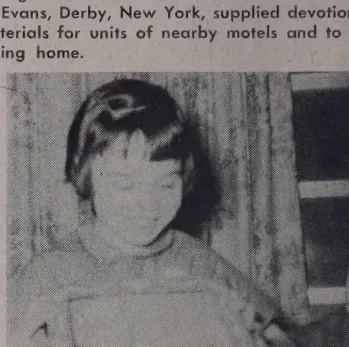
Awards to be given July 2 at International Summer Assembly

The Albert H. Diebold Awards in the 1962 Citizenship Awards Program will be presented at a mass meeting July 2 in Huntington, Indiana, in connection with the International Summer Assembly there July 2-7.

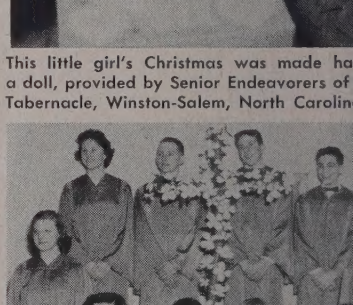
The rally is scheduled for 8:00 P.M. in Davis Memorial Hall on the Huntington College campus. Following the presentation of awards and the introduction of representatives of the winning societies, Bishop Clyde W. Meadows, D.D., president of the International Society, will speak. After the service Endeavorers of the Northeastern Indiana Union will serve as hosts at an informal reception at the Oval.

In addition to Christian Citizenship, the Assembly will emphasize evangelism, intensive Bible study, and Christian Endeavor leadership training. The program features personal Quiet Hour periods, Bible classes and discussion groups, chapel and vesper services, recreation and informal sessions, and group demonstrations. Turn to page 18 for reservation details and a blank. For additional information write to the International Society.

High School Endeavorers from First Ch Evans, Derby, New York, supplied devotio terials for units of nearby motels and to ing home.



This little girl's Christmas was made ha a doll, provided by Senior Endeavorers of Tabernacle, Winston-Salem, North Carolin



Sign language choir made up of Luther L helps in special services for the deaf a Lutheran Church, Lewisburg, Pennsylvani

PROJECT YOUR INFLUEN BEYOND YOUR LIFETIM

By placing the International Socie Christian Endeavor in your Will, yo fluence can be projected beyond you time; and you can be a blessing to thou of boys and girls who will benefit b ministry of Christian Endeavor.
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oling (seated, center) with representatives of many nations at the 8th l's Convention, Berlin, Germany, in 1930.

By Dr. Daniel A. Poling

BEFORE SYDNEY 1962-- I REMINISCE

ANY YEARS AGO, I wrote the following verse during one of my Quiet Hour periods at Sagamore Beach, e God, which was then the home of Dr. Francis E. Clark many of his Christian Endeavor associates.

n in the mind of God with motive pure exalted
And mission vaster than its far-eyed prophet knew,
s plant of heaven's love and spirit's tending
In brave New England's soil took root and grew.

In those days, it was my high privilege to live and work h Dr. and Mrs. Clark and those other early leaders who ne to his side at the very beginning of the activities which r Christ and the Church" led them over the world. I s the very youngest of the group, and now I am the very est and the last remaining in time and space. I knew first president of the United Society, a Congregational man from Burlington, Vermont, Mr. W. H. Van Patten, o afterward became mayor of that city, who preceded . Clark, the founder. Dr. Clark became president as ll as founder when he was persuaded to leave his success- pastorate in Boston, Massachusetts, to give with Mrs. rk, Mother Clark as she came to be known, his full-time vice to Christian Endeavor. I knew all the original mem- s of the Board of Trustees and of the Executive Commit- . These were men who lived in Greater Boston or its inity. I knew all the earlier secretaries, and two of these at ones of those first days—John Willis Baer and William aw—became as my blood brothers.

Later, when my own Christian Endeavor missions took overseas, I came to know Dr. Clark's contemporaries in United Kingdom, in Germany, in India, in Australia, l just about everywhere.

How glorious has been my privilege and opportunity. w forever indebted I am to my Heavenly Father and to of these truly great men and women with whom I have ed and moved and served, and whose memories enrich th mind and soul as I write these lines.

I was twenty-four years old when I became field and neral secretary of the Ohio Christian Endeavor Union. Five years later, Dr. Clark called me to his side where I became, successively, citizenship superintendent, president's associate, and associate president of the United Society of Christian Endeavor, which is now under its changed corporate name, the International Society of Christian Endeavor. Then in 1925, the mantle of presidency was draped across my inadequate shoulders by our beloved founder. I succeeded him in the convention held in Portland, Oregon, where I was born, 3,000 miles away from Portland, Maine, where Christian Endeavor was born.

But this article, which is in a sense my valedictory before the World's Christian Endeavor Convention in Sydney, Aus-

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Dr. Poling wearing World's Union presidential chain

Dr. Poling reminisces . . . . .

tralia, August 16-21, toward which we look so eagerly now, must not deal finally or too largely with the past. The senior elder of my old New York Church, the Marble Collegiate (Dutch Reformed Church), which is the oldest Protestant congregation in North America, had a formula that I must never forget. At ninety years of age, he was the most vital and one of the most radiant spirits of my pastoral experiences. Once I said, "Elder Hyde, how do you explain yourself, your mental vigor, your spiritual enthusiasm? Why, Sir, you see visions as youth is supposed to see them." And of course there was much more of that conversation. "Dominie," he answered, "Dominie, I never reminisce." Of course he did reminisce. He had an inspired, challenging memory but he did not live in the past. And so as I write this article, I do not live in the past.

My travel log now records more than four million miles, and more than two million of these, since 1926, have been covered in the air, on what I believe have been my God-appointed missions. Through the war days and in the troubled peace, I have flown down the airways of the world to and beyond the most remote islands of the most remote seas. And everywhere I have found Christian Endeavor in all its tongues and colors steadfast in the faith that was first made articulate by the inspired words written by Francis E. Clark more than eighty years ago—"Trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ for strength, I promise Him that I will strive to do whatever He would have me do."

Knight Chaplin in England, Pastor Blecher in Germany, Dr. Chamberlain in India, and so many others of their generations, were the young men captured by the enthusiasm and dedication of Francis E. Clark. These I knew and revered. And their successors through the years have been my comrades who have journeyed with me East and West and North and South, and with whom I have been identified in conferences, conventions, appeal campaigns and prayer meetings, from Alaska to the southern tip of Africa, and from New York and London to and fro over all the continents.

It is indeed a dangerous thing to mention names, for so many equally worthy of mention will escape the record. But certainly Dr. James Kelly, equally active in the Sunday school and broad Christian education program of the ecumenical movement, has been for more than forty years one of my most intimate friends and one of the most distinguished of our Christian Endeavor statesmen. We have grown not old but older together! In my own country, after Dr. Clark, has come a steady, constant stream of men and women, young and slightly older, who through all the vicissitudes of our youth movement's varying fortunes have remained faithful, competent leaders of Christian Endeavor. Ernest R. Bryan, who was one of my "Timothys" and who was my immediate successor in the International Society of Christian Endeavor —who, as we poor mortals see it, died all too soon—would have perhaps been the choice of our world-encompassing movement for my immediate successor in the presidency of the World's Christian Endeavor Union. His gracious wife and widow, Mildred, who has been honorary field secretary of the World's Union, continues as an active member on many of our committees. Earle W. Gates and now Bishop Clyde W. Meadows have continued the presidential succession in North America with distinguished faithfulness. The cousin of the mother of my sons, Stanley B. Vandersall, E. B. Gates, Carleton M. Sherwood, Gene Stone, Carroll M. Wright, and now Harold E. Westerhoff, have been each in his succession general and executive secretaries, field marshals, of our international movement, which embraces the great lands of the Western Hemisphere—Canada, the United States, Mexico, the Central Americas, and South America—with the vast areas of the Pacific, with much of Asia, including Japan, Korea, and the new lands—aye, with royal Australia and brilliant New Zealand toward which the world tide of the Christian Endeavor movement moves and rises and we count now the months and weeks and days to Sydney. I have seen them all and loved them all. George Nelson, elder statesman of the Australian Christian Endeavor Union and honored vice-president of the World's Christian Endeavor Union, has stood by my side for a long generation and more. He is chairman of the Sydney Convention's Program Committee. He with Harry N. Holmes of sainted memory, and other gracious men and women from "down under," lift my heart to a paean of thanksgiving as I journey now toward my own valedictory as president of the World's Christian Endeavor Union.

Perhaps, as I travel down to Sydney, I shall visit the lovely island that re as one of the few Christian Endeavor I have not visited—Tonga. Here, Her Highness, Queen Salote, is president Christian Endeavor union that includ its membership every citizen, indeed inhabitant, men, women, young and o that lovely "Friendly" place.

I became president of the World's tian Endeavor Union in 1927 immed after the death of Francis E. Clark. death is not the right word. Jesus "Whosoever loveth and believeth in me never die." And this prophet of C kingdom, this good Saint Francis o world's youth, is more alive now than he was when he went about in the I had charge of the memorial servic Mother Clark. Now the graves of thes are marked by a beautiful cross on is deeply chiseled the Christian End emblem. I had been with them durin after the last illness of their firstborn, son Frank.

And so it has been with many o founding fathers and mothers—Amo Wells, the greatest of our editors, scholarly Stanley Vandersall and These being dead and released fro bonds of the flesh speak on to marching generations, boys and girls, men and young women, who "where' sun does his successive journeys run" the Christian Endeavor covenant.

Dr. Clark performed the marriage mony for Lillian and me. He baptized of our children, and his name, Clark given to our second son, the chaplain went down on the S.S. Dorchester in War II with his three brother chapla the three faiths.

These are all poignant memories, b memories. They crowd upon me as forward eagerly to my next and indee last World's Convention as president world-wide fellowship. Eagerly, I say cause next to the high honor of h received this inestimable privilege of le ship from our founder, I shall count distinction to place the presidential across the shoulders of my successor. that this moment which in the will o is to come to me in Australia, give greater satisfaction than I can possibly into any article, for Australia has be if not as my second mother land, th least as a land beloved second only t other.

Sydney Prepares for World's Convention in Augu

On February 23 Endeavorers in Sydney and throughout Australia held "Evening of Prayer" services for the 14th World's Convention scheduled August 16-21 in Sydney. Harold E. Westerhoff, general secretary of the World's Union, was in Australia and participated in this service at Bankstown Church of Christ.

While in Sydney Mr. Westerhoff (seated, right) was guest speal this rally at Banksia Free Church. Chairman was Rev. Eric Atkin (ing), president of St. George District Union. Ivan T. Perry (seated district union past president and hospitality convenor for the W Convention, also participated.

With Adults in Christian Endeavor

A page especially for Young Adults (25-35) and Adults (36-up)

DULT TOPIC SUMMARIES

Prepared by the Adult Work Committee

Church History (two topics)

Pentecost and Power

cts 2:1-47; 10:9-35

ong preceding Pentecost was divine prep- ion made for the moral and spiritual overy of the race, for populating heaven h people made in God's image and ted to have fellowship with Him. On day of Pentecost, A.D. 30, God gave full revelation of His power at work in ng and redeeming mankind. Since that the church has gone forth "'mid toil tribulation, and tumult of her war," ming victory after victory as countless ls have been brought into loving sub- sion to Him. Develop this idea as a otional talk preceding an informal recep- n. Ask a number of women to bake cakes uniform size. Fit them together as one ge cake in the form of a cross and apply ng. Hold a birthday party for the church!

The Church Abroad

Acts 1:6-8; 8:1

The book of Acts shows that God can ke the wrath of men to praise Him and make the evil designs of men to help fulfill His purposes. The result of the persecution in Jerusalem shows how this was done. The leaders of the persecution planned to exterminate Christianity; they only scattered Christians and fired them with greater zeal. The very nature of Christianity is that it thrives under opposition and persecution. Assign these subjects for ten-minute presentations: (1) "The Church under Fire" (New Testament times); (2) "The Church Witnesses and Wins" (contemporary times); and (3) "The Church Faces the Future" (threat of Communism).

Being a Christian (two topics)

1. "Be Strong in the Lord"

Ephesians 6:10-16; II Timothy 4:7,8

Can the real reason behind the condition of the world be that we have not experienced enough of the glory of God in our lives? Have we lacked real companionship with Jesus? Have we simply followed Him afar off? Paul gives us the admonition we need: "Be strong in the Lord." The Christian life has been compared to a "race" and to a "good fight." Unless we are strong, we will grow weary and faint in the Lord's work. Using these ideas as a devotional approach, make this a demonstration meeting. From your local religious bookstore secure the visual aids packet "The Christian Soldier." Instructions for assembling and ideas for your devotional talk are included.

2. A Changed Life

I Peter 1:13-23; Romans 12:1-18

Peter's exhortation to live the changed life of obedience finds its basis in the past (Christ's atonement), present (indwelling of the Holy Spirit through obedience to Christ), and the future (second coming of Christ). The tree of Christian character, then, has three main roots: one runs back to Calvary, and is historic; the second runs forward to the Lord's return, and is prophetic; the third is grounded in the present reality of the Holy Spirit, who works within and guides us. These three roots draw nurture for the life and fruitage of the tree. As a visual aid, draw a tree, representing the tree of life, with the three roots suggested above. Ask three persons to present discussions of the roots of Christian faith and life.

Family Fellowship--A Must

By Joan Pyle, Member, Adult Work Committee

In our changing society we are caught with time on our nds and yet with too many obligations. Society has accepted t leisure is a part of life and not an earned product of physical rk as it once was. Taking time to relax is socially acceptable l does not indicate laziness or particular financial success.

Automation has made it possible to have more leisure. But eliminating some of the possibilities of physical and mental rk, automation makes it imperative that man use this new sure to regain balance in his life as he meets the crises of daily ing. For the woman, the opportunity to be creative in her me has diminished. Box cakes are cheap and quick. Opportnities for physical labor, a great tension reducer, have also minished. In urban expansion, the children are deprived of nless wandering and daydreaming since woods and park space e at a premium. These are but a few of the factors which ake planning for recreation imperative.

The church, operating as a private institution in our society, n provide recreation facilities, programs, and leadership for ose it serves. In the large city or small town the church often cepts the secondary purpose of providing social and recreational portunities for its membership.

Families feel the tug of busyness. They are pulled apart by nflicting obligations and interests. The stability of the family a basis for our society and culture. So we are concerned about e attitudes and respect that members in a home have for that me.

The church can take a position by promoting family recreanal activities. A stock answer may be, "We have a night for nily activity—Family Night." Generally Family Nights have ne nothing for family recreation or for strengthening family s. The program has facilitated the use of the family car or minated the cost of a baby sitter, but the activities of the evening are departmentalized and segregated. Worship, too, is a family activity but an activity in which we come to know ourselves and our Lord, not each other.

In our recreation we hope that each participant will relax, have fun, improve some skills, appreciate others, and in the process become a better individual. The responsibility of the family recreation program in the church lies in any group which can provide adequate leadership for such activities or in the office of educational director or secretary.

Some activities for family participation which a church can sponsor are these: hymn sings, picnics, caroling parties, banquets, choirs (both whistling and singing), bands or orchestras, dramatics, craft projects, camping programs, traveling projects and visits of interest, hay rides and endless others. Remember that recreation is a secondary purpose of the church and the preaching of the Gospel should never be superseded by entertainment and fun.

Commercial recreation areas offer many family fun opportunities. Some, however, are questionable. Parental example in selecting activities and instruction in participation is an excellent basis for later leisure time activity for children. In the home opportunities are limitless. The lawn games of badminton, croquet, etc., are relatively inexpensive. Outdoor picnics or barbecues are still in style. Many volunteer groups such as the Y and Scouts have family participation programs. The local school may also provide group activities in its evening program.

While it is not entirely acceptable to play at work, it is acceptable and almost expedient to work at planning family play. Good things don't just happen, especially when many personalities and interests are involved.

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Money Tells on You

Mark 12:41-44

Senior High-Young People (15-24 Years) **June 3**

To the Leader

This is a topic in which your group will be interested, but do not let it descend to the level of wisecracks about the getting and spending of money. Keep it reverent, for it is a serious subject. Please remember that the attitude which a young person takes toward money will determine in a large measure his goals in life.

Publicity

For your cards or poster, draw the picture of a dollar talking into a microphone, with some marks to indicate that the power is on and a message is going out. Above the picture, put the topic MONEY TELLS ON YOU! Write below: *What is it that money tells? What does it broadcast about our recreation? Culture? Character? Spiritual life? Don't miss this interesting topic! Time . . . Leader. . . .*

Suggested Program Outline

Pre-Prayer Service
Prelude (quiet music)
Call to Worship: Psalm 29:2
Hymn: *More Like the Master*
Prayer
Hymn: *In the Service of the King*
Scripture Reading: Mark 12:41-44
Special Music: *Living for Jesus*
Sentence Prayers
Leader's Talk
Two-Minute Talks
Questions for Discussion
Consecration Service
Announcements
Hymn: *Whisper a Prayer* (1st stanza)
Benediction

Leader's Talk

One day the enemies of Jesus were trying to trap Him by bringing up the question as to whether the Jews should pay tribute money to the Roman government. If He said *No,* they would report Him; if He said *Yes,* they would declare Him a traitor. It looked as if they had Him where they wanted Him. Then He said, "Show me the tribute money . . . whose is this image and superscription?" "Caesar's," they answered. "Render therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's," was His reply.

Take a look at an American nickel. Whose image is on it? *Jefferson's.* What sentence is on the left? *In God We Trust.* What word is on the right? *Liberty.* Jefferson was the champion of religious liberty. Turn it over. What Latin student can tell the meaning of "E Pluribus Unum"? *Out of many, one.* What nation issued the coin? *United States of America.* (Note: Canadian societies may want to refer to one of their own coins.)

What a message that little coin carries! But it also tells a lot of things about us, depending on the way we use it. It is important to get, spend, and give money the right way. In tonight's Scripture reference, Jesus watched rich men give their gold, and a poor widow turn in her last two mites.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Is the proposition of Malachi 3:8-12 fair?
2. What is the law of the harvest in regard to giving? See II Corinthians 9:6-8.
3. Why does the tither always have money on hand for special offerings? See I Corinthians 16:2.
4. Why do many people not find it a joy to give to Christ's work?
5. In what ways should we use the tithe?

He declared that proportionately she gave more than the rich men. What do people think about us as they watch us use the money we have? Do they approve? Praise? Worry? Criticize? Let us consider these questions in our discussion.

Two-Minute Talks

1. *(Please tell in your own words.)* Money says, "I represent life." We work eight hours and for it receive a certain amount of money. That represents a day of our life. As time goes on and we save up several hundred dollars, we have quite a portion of our life stored up. The money has become sacred because it does represent life and is not to be used frivolously. When we are thinking about getting some new clothing, we will ask ourselves, "How much of my life shall I put into this garment?" When we are going out for an evening of fun, we will ask, "How much of my life shall I use in this way?" When we are thinking about getting a hot rod, we will ask, "Is this car really worth that much of my life?" Since money represents life, it makes us think twice before we spend it, for we want to invest it where it will bring in the most returns.

2. *(Please tell in your own words.)* Money says, "I represent power!" Stored up money is stored up life, waiting to be translated into power and usefulness again. It can provide food for the hungry and help crippled children to be healed. It can help a boy in Mexico to get an education, a girl in the Philippines to become a nurse, an orphan in India to receive care in a children's home. It will send Bibles to Africa to change the hearts of people, and will support native evangelists who will take the Gospel to Amazon tribes where we cannot go. When we send out our dollars to serve the Master, it is so much of our lives which go out to represent us.

3. *(Please tell in your own words.)* Money says, "I am a wonderful servant, but a demanding master." It is not money, but the *love* of money which is the root of all evil. We have a right to save a portion of what we earn and put it to work for us. We must not become a miser who lives for money, nor a spendthrift who throws everything away. A certain movie star who has made four million dollars claims he is broke. He thought money would bring him happiness, but found out that finally it brought him misery. Money can bring better health, living, culture, and spiritual life, but if let it dominate us, then we will never r be happy. "He that loveth silver shall be satisfied with silver; nor he that lo abundance with increase," said Solo long ago. Not long ago a teen-ager, b tried for murder, said, "For a lousy d and a half I killed a man." Yet, ot embezzle a million dollars before being to prison. Once a man makes money god, there isn't anything he won't d obtain it.

4. *(Please tell in your own words.)* M says, "I can bless or curse a life." Do pray for money? It could cause you to your soul. Jesus said, "It is easier f camel to go through the eye of a ne than for a rich man to enter into the k dom of God." Delilah could have happy with Samson, but when the Pl tines offered her a large amount of m to betray him, she couldn't resist it. Tar coveted the golden bracelets worn by en soldiers, and bargained with them to b the city of Rome, which she did, but it her life. A young man inherited se thousand dollars. In a short time he several cars, went to the hot spots, s all he had, took to dope running, and in prison. Money doesn't make a foo a person; it just reveals that he is a fo

Others look upon God as a partner in and use their money to further the king of God. He is pleased with that and bl them beyond what otherwise they w have.

5. *(Please tell in your own words.)* M says, "I am a test of character." The b rapher of the Duke of Wellington, defeated Napoleon at Waterloo, had ma a lot of historical data about him, but felt that he didn't know the man as really was. Then he found his checkb one day, and in his spending was reve the real person. The way we spend money reveals whether we are wast generous, foolish, wise, or wicked, fo reveals how we are spending stored up Benedict Arnold loved money, lived be his means, got into debt, and sold out country for a sum. R. G. Le Tournea millionaire businessman of today, bega tithe as a poor boy. God blessed him, he began to give more than a tithe, so today he gives nine-tenths instead of tenth. Hershey, the chocolate bar k also has given millions; Heinz, the pi king, likewise gave millions. The ones make large gifts today are the ones started out as teen-agers to set aside G share to use for Him.

Consecration Service

This evening we have been talking a money and have learned that it repres life. There is nothing finer than that should consecrate not only the tithe, but right use of all our money to the ser of God, and look on Him as a part Please think about it as we sing *Jesus Us.* Then during the minute of silent pr which follows, if you will begin to your income, tell God so (or come forv to sign enrollment cards). It will pl Him greatly, and He will bring new ha ness to your lives. *(Leader will close service with a brief prayer. Request all tithers to report to your Tenth Legion c man at once if they have not enro Folders and enrollment cards are avail from the International Society.)*

Comments by Dr. J. Vernon Jacobs, a free-l writer living in Phoenix, Arizona, and the au of a number of Christian educational books

moting the Meeting

his is vacation time, and meetings will l to be well prepared and publicized to ourage the attendance of your group. this may be your monthly consecration ice and preparation and commitment ild be made a challenge to each Junior h present. Posters prepared by members he group are always a good means of ertising a meeting. The design and ding on the posters should be appro- te for the topic being announced. Be your pastor has an announcement to ude in the church bulletin.

Why not have your Lookout Committee some telephoning or, better yet, make sonal contacts with members who have been attending Christian Endeavor reg- rly and with other youth of your age o have no church and Christian En- vor affiliation? Offer to call for them l take them with you so they will not l strange and alone if this is the first eting they have attended. Above all re- mber to pray much that this service will of spiritual help to each one who will present.

ggested Program Outline

-Prayer Service
lude
ll to Worship: Psalm 117:1,2
mn: *He Keeps Me Singing*
ayer
ayer Chorus: *Let the Beauty of Jesus*
ecial Poem or Music
nouncements and Offering
mn: *He Lives*
ripture Lesson: James 1:22-27; 2:15-18
pic Presentation
ymn: *With Thy Spirit Fill Me*
ll Call (To be answered with a Scripture verse)
orus: *Spirit of the Living God*
ediction

anning the Meeting

Planning the meeting well ahead of the te so all who will be taking part can ake adequate preparation is very impor- nt. Contact the Lookout Committee chair- an at least a month beforehand so he/she ill be able to meet with the committee embers and lay plans for contacting other nior Highs. Announce ahead of time oncerning the Scripture response to be ven when the roll is called. Be sure to form the members of the type of Scrip- re verse desired. It may be one that is sed as a personal testimony, a promise at has helped them, or an expression of eir commitment to follow the Lord Jesus hrist.

For this service the special could be a oem that emphasizes the difference living r Christ makes for youth.

The consecration meeting should also be time when members may be enrolled in e Quiet Hour and new members may be ceived into the society. Provision can be ade for this following the roll call. Chris- an Endeavor Pledge Cards and Quiet Hour nrollment Cards are available from the ternational Society of Christian Endeavor, 21 East Broad Street, Columbus 16, Ohio.

eader's Introduction

How many choices have you made today? ach of us is constantly choosing. Some- mes the choices are not important; some- mes they are more important than we alize. Some of our choices concern what e shall wear, where we shall go, with hom we shall go, what we shall do with our spare time, and many other things. Sometimes we may think, "What difference does my decision make anyway? I'll just go along with the crowd." These decisions and others can be very important, especially if we have made the greatest decision of all—to accept Jesus Christ as our Saviour and to follow Him.

In our discussion this evening we want to think of some ways in which a Christian youth is different from one who has not accepted Christ.

What's the Difference?

James 1:22-27; 2:15-18

June 3 **Junior High** (12-14 Years)

OUR AIMS

1. To realize in what ways Christians differ from those who are not Christians
2. To consider what the Lord would have us to do with the lives He has given us

QUESTIONS TO BE CONSIDERED

1. When a person accepts Christ as his Saviour, what are some of the changes that take place in his personal life?
2. How are a person's relationships with others affected when he becomes a Christian?
3. Does being a Christian make a difference in the way we think about and plan for our lives now and later? How?
4. What are some ways of effective Christian witnessing in our daily lives?
5. What is the value of prayer and Bible study in the Christian life? What difference is there in our lives when these become a daily practice?

In Our Personal Lives

Read II Corinthians 5:17. In this Scripture, the apostle Paul gives us a very good explanation of the change in a person's life when he accepts Christ. Many things about the Christian life cannot be understood until we have given our heart to the Saviour. Once we have done this, many of the questions that bothered us before have simply disappeared. We are anxious to please the Lord, not because we *must,* but because we *love* Him. We ask others to accept Christ because we are so happy in our life with Him. We choose *not* to do some things unbelievers do, because as we meditate and read God's Word and talk with Him in prayer we realize God has a better plan for those who would be His followers.

Prayer time is a pleasant experience because we talk with One who understands us, knows about our problems and temptations, and best of all loves us and is able to help us.

In Our Relationships

Have you ever been thoughtless and spoken unkind words to someone who was poorly dressed or who was handicapped in speech or crippled in body? How would you treat that person now that you are a Christian? What makes us sympathetic and ready to help someone who needs our help very badly? No matter where we may be, we will always find things we can do to help someone else, and we will really want to do it too. Sharing what we have with one who does not have is not foolish and a waste of time as the unbeliever may say. Jesus said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me" (Matthew 25:40).

Before we accepted Christ we selfishly thought only of ourselves, but now how our speech, our attitudes, and our actions affect others concerns us. Most of all we are concerned that they please our heavenly Father and are not harmful to His cause.

In Our Plans

All of us make plans concerning a vocation in life. Right now we are thinking about the subjects we would like to study in high school. Some of us may have already talked with our counselor or some high school teacher and have enrolled in the courses we will take next year.

Being a Christian makes a difference in the way we think about the future. We think not only of what we want to do, how much salary we will make, how much influence we will have with people, etc. We also think of how we can best use the talents God has entrusted to us. We think prayerfully of the future. What will the Lord have me do with my life? Where would He have me use it? Can I witness for Him as I do my work? Proverbs 3:5,6 gives us excellent advice to follow in making our plans *(read these verses).* Jesus said, "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you" (Matthew 6:33). If we put God first and seek to know His will, we can be sure He will guide us in our choices.

A True Profession of Christ

So many times we think witnessing for Christ means to talk about Him. This is fine, but we limit our witness if this is all we do! Every moment we live we belong to Jesus Christ. Every act we perform speaks much louder than our words. Our attitudes toward work, play, and our associates when we are least conscious about witnessing often impress those around us favorably or unfavorably concerning Christ.

A true profession of Christ is all of life lived for Christ at all times, with the Holy Spirit to guide and strengthen us. "Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven," said Jesus in Matthew 10:32. Yes, a true confession of Christ makes a difference not only for life in this world but also for eternity where we shall be forever with our Saviour.

Let us have fellowship with our Lord through daily prayer and the reading of His Word that we may be prepared to hear when He speaks, to follow where He leads, and to present our bodies a living sacrifice to Him, which is our reasonable service.

Comments by Wilma L. Monroe, elementary schoolteacher in Celina, Ohio, director of camps for the United Brethren in Christ, and a former missionary in Sierra Leone

Detours

Psalm 37:1-5

Senior High-Young People (15-24 Years) **June 10**

Preparation for the Meeting

Make several *Detour* signs that can be used to point the way to your meeting room. Make one that has a stand to use in the meeting. Make another one that will hold a small Bible or the picture of a Bible. Print under the Bible the words *Right Road*. This one should be on a stand also.

As the meeting proceeds, turn the signs so that *Detour* or *Right Road* is facing the group as indicated during each talk.

Choose several members of your group who can prepare talks on their own and assign to them the five subjects for discussion: Attitudes, Conversation, Friends, Marriage, Motives. Note the suggestion that the presentation on marriage be dramatized. Do this several days before the meeting and provide the speakers with the helps and Scripture references given below. Encourage them to consult other resources in addition.

If possible, a few minutes should be allotted for questions and discussion from the entire group following each talk.

Suggested Program Outline

Pre-Prayer Service
Scripture Reading: Psalm 37:1-5
Chorus: *God's Way My Way*
Prayer
Announcements and Offering
Special Music: *Have Thine Own Way*
Leader's Introduction
Topic Discussion
Conclusion
Hymn: *O Jesus, I Have Promised*
Sentence Prayers
Benediction

Attitudes

DETOUR: Discuss doing as one pleases or going his own way as a detour that may turn one from going God's way. Refer to the philosophy expressed in the sentiment, "I am the captain of my soul; I am the master of my fate." In what ways can we determine our own destiny? What are the advantages and disadvantages of this line of thinking? Use Proverbs 12:15; 16:25 and Matthew 7:13,14 as references.

RIGHT ROAD: Emphasize that Christians must not go their own way, but they must seek first the kingdom of God. These verses will be helpful in making your point: Luke 12:31; Psalm 63:1-4; and I Corinthians 6:19,20.

Conversation

DETOUR: Discuss saying the wrong thing as a choice that may get one on a detour in the Christian life and make rough going ahead. One may stumble and yet catch himself and not be injured, but what he says has been said and cannot be completely forgotten. Elaborate on the hurt that can be caused by saying the wrong thing either intentionally or thoughtlessly. You may want to refer to Proverbs 18:7; II Timothy 2:16; and James 3:5-10.

RIGHT ROAD: Stress the importance of saying things that are acceptable to God and helpful to others. Use Exodus 4:12; Proverbs 25:11; and John 16:12-14 as references.

Friends

DETOUR: Point out that everybody is known by the company he keeps. One rotten apple in a box can cause many others to rot also. However, one good apple does not cause the others to become good. If those with whom one associates closely do not honor God, they may draw him away from God and, worse yet, get him into real trouble. Being in a group that does something wrong implicates each person, and a detour in jail would be a rough experience indeed! These references should be helpful: Proverbs 13:20; 28:7 and Psalm 14:1-5.

RIGHT ROAD: Emphasize the necessity of having companionship with Christ and His followers. Use Ephesians 5:1,2; Hebrews 6:9-12; and I John 1:3,7 as references. Point out that the love of God envelops one as a fog that comes down through the trees. It provides a fellowship so complete that he seeks no other.

Marriage

DETOUR: The practice of teen-age marriage is often a detour in one's plans and hopes. This could be most dramatically presented by a boy and girl representing a young married couple. Have them seated on some shabby chairs with an old table between them. They should discuss some of the disillusions of their early marriage as well as the disappointments in their life plans. The freedom of youth has been replaced with the responsibility of adulthood. The boy has not finished his education and finds it hard to get a job that pays well. The girl is tied down with a family. Their parents wanted them to finish their education before getting married, but they saw no need of doing so. Now they have gone on a long detour in life. Use Proverbs 14:29; 21:5; and 29:20 as references. (You or the boy and girl representing the couple may want to point out that God will help them to keep their vows and guide them through their difficulties if they ask him; read Psalm 61.)

RIGHT ROAD: Emphasize the value of a mature marriage. Another boy and girl could represent a couple who waited until they had finished their college training before getting married. The husband is established in his work, and the wife has had two years working in the field for which she was trained. Have them seated on sturdy chairs with a good table between them on which there is a lamp or a bo of flowers.

As they discuss their life together, remember that they had fun while to college. They learned much, the tended games, and they were activ Christian Endeavor in their church. had the real freedom of youth. The y man now has a promising future, and live in a neat, modest home. The gir been able to buy many things for home because of her salary earned b marriage. And besides, she is traine work again, should the necessity ever o

Use Genesis 2:18; Proverbs 18:22; Matthew 19:4-6 as Scripture reference

Motives

DETOUR: Some young people do grow in their faith because they do dedicate time to study God's Word an pray to Him. Consequently, they are toured into a useless life in which the no service for Christ. If they are a to do something in the church, they do know whether they can because they not connected to the source of divine po The light has not been turned on in lives. The springs of living water are running in their lives. Refer to Matt 5:13,14-16.

Jesus points out in the parable of th tree in Luke 13:6-9 that if there is no on the tree, there is no reason to l cumber the ground. However, He does want anybody to be cut off, so He w all to be cultivated so that they may further opportunity to serve Him.

RIGHT ROAD: Stress that the right for the Christian youth is service for C at all times. I John 4:19 gives the re for our loving and serving Christ; Ro 12:1,2 sets forth the pattern of our ser Isaiah 40:28-31 reveals the source strength for our service; and Psalm 1 indicates the means of our witness Christ *(be sure to read these verses).*

Conclusion

In summarizing your discussion, point how much trouble can be avoided thro making the right choices and following right roads. To do this, youth need to the Lord's guidance and the wisdom those who have had experience in tal the right road. Parents usually have best interests of youth at heart when counsel with them. One's minister will sound advice when he is given the op tunity to do so. Many teachers and o leaders at church and school are also g counselors for youth.

But above all else, one must have G help in making the right choices. R again Psalm 37:1-5.

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Hymns listed in program outlines in T CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR WORLD have be selected from CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR SONG This book, with an attractive red and wh paper cover, contains 113 songs and hym for youth meetings. Available from Intern tional Society of Christian Endeavor, 12 East Broad Street, Columbus 16, Ohio. Pri 50c each, $5 per dozen, $40 per hundred.

ty Invitations

To advertise this Christian Endeavor ting in keeping with its purpose and gram, make a large poster to display in eye-catching spot several weeks prior to actual date. The poster should be an rged invitation to a birthday party that be held during the regular meeting of Junior High Christian Endeavor Society the evening of June 10. Make it look much like a birthday party invitation as possible. Use neat lettering, an appeal-ly worded invitation, and party embel-ments such as favors, hats, and so forth. sure to have floating in the air above the itation two well-filled balloons with at-hed signs reading, "What's in your bal-? Come and see. A trip to the moon? Or imperative decree?"

2. In addition to the large poster invita-n to the meeting, have exact copies of it plicated for invitations to mail out to ery regular member of your group and prospective members. Get every person ssible out for this early summer meeting. t the summer off to a good start!

ecial Guests

No birthday party worthy of the name is er held without the guest of honor being esent! Make sure your birthday party is rthy of its name! Since this meeting is in lebration of the birthday of the Church, e logical guests of honor for your party uld come from the Church. Sit down th your advisers as you plan this meeting d make a list of special people to receive vitations. The guest list should include ch people as your minister and his wife; e chairman of the church board; chairmen other groups such as elders, deacons, and aconesses; choir director; organist (or anist); church secretary; custodian; wom-i's work president; Bible school superin-ndent; etc. Make sure you not only invite em, but also plan to use them and to nor them in your service.

irthday Wishes

Blowing out birthday candles and ex-ressing wishes is a part of birthday cele-rations. Incorporate this into your pro-ram as a novel way to have an unusual, eppy song service. Figure out carefully in our planning just how many minutes you an allot to your song service and just how any favorite Christian Endeavor hymns nd/or choruses can be sung in this allotted me. Make an imitation birthday cake and lace on it the same number of candles as ne number of songs you can use. Have ach candle numbered to represent one of ese songs. Choose the same number of uests to participate and help your song ader choose the songs by blowing out the andles! One candle at a time, of course. nd the "candle blowers" should all be ated by the cake.

A New Game

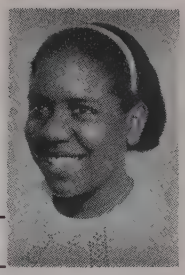
Every birthday party must have at least ne game, and this one has one! At the ront of the meeting room place a large heet of firtex (or similar material) that annot be hurt by the entrance of darts. Have hanging on this firtex as many blown alloons as your group will need to have our program presented. The committee in harge of this birthday party will have orked hard and long before the meeting have it ready.

Inserted in each one of these balloons is slip of paper with a printed message on it. Each message tells the recipient what part to take in the meeting. Of course, the recipient is the Junior High Christian Endeavor member who breaks that balloon with his dart. The balloons should be so placed they will be easily broken. The messages should be carefully planned so as to be easily understood and readily performed. If a discussion period is wanted, they could contain questions to be answered and discussed. If a factual presentation of Pentecost is wanted, they could contain facts to be imparted. If a more varied program is wanted, they could contain a variety of things to be done, all within the capabilities of the members of your group who would be participating. These might be a Scripture to be read, a poem to be quoted, a song to be sung by the group, a three-minute discussion to be led on a phase of Pentecost, etc. This should be of such a nature that it fits your plans, your group, and their performance ability. Well planned, it can be education as well as entertainment, thus captivating interest and attention.

We Celebrate an Anniversary

Acts 2:1-8,36-41

(Pentecost Sunday)



June 10 **Junior High** (12-14 Years)

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

1. What blessings has the world received because of the church?
2. What blessings do youth today have because of the church?
3. What is the purpose of our church in our community?
4. What has our church done to fulfill that purpose?
5. In what areas is our church strong?
6. Do we contribute to its strength?
7. In what areas is our church weak?
8. Do we contribute to its weakness?

Presents for Guests

Birthday presents, prettily wrapped, are always welcome and anxiously awaited! And, of course, the presents go to the guests of honor. The birthday presents at this party should be handled in two ways:

1. It would be nice to have a "birthday tree" at the front of the room for atmosphere during the meeting. This could be a small bush or a tree branch planted in a large flower pot. The "tree" should be sprayed with some enamel, to match your color scheme. Then hang on this birthday tree wrapped presents for the special guests you have invited. It doesn't need to be anything expensive or fancy. Make it something Biblical from your church publishing house in appreciation for their loyal help to the church.

2. This is the birthday anniversary of the Church. Plan definitely for your Junior High Christian Endeavor to have a present for your church. It could be a cash gift taken at offering time to be given directly to your church to use as it sees fit or some object the group wishes to present to the church, or each member of your group could write on a slip of paper some job he will do for the church as a birthday present and put the paper in the offering plate along with his monetary contribution.

Party Procedure

Since this is a summer meeting with no school the next morning, it might be well to have this meeting after the church's evening service so more time could be used. Or, since it is a special birthday celebration, perhaps it could be started a half-hour early. Study your program carefully as to how much time you can allot to each part and plan accordingly. Then during the actual meeting keep to the planned time.

SUGGESTED PLAN

Pre-Prayer Service: Fifteen minutes preceding the service, in another room. This should be planned and sponsored by the Devotional Committee.

Birthday Wishes: Song Service (favorite Christian Endeavor hymns and choruses)

Pentecost Presented: The church leaders whom you have invited to attend your birthday party should at this time present a panel discussion on "Pentecost and What It Means to Me." They have been briefed ahead of time so that they know they are going to do this and are prepared to make a brief and helpful presentation.

Pointed Participation: After the guest church leaders have made their presentation on Pentecost, it will be time for the Junior High Christian Endeavor members to participate. This they do by puncturing a balloon in turn with a dart and doing as they are told!

Worship Service
Quiet Music
Call to Worship: Psalm 122:1,2,6,8,9
Hymn: *I Love Thy Church, O God*
Scripture Reading: Acts 2:1-8,36-41
Solo: *Take My Life, and Let It Be*
Offering and Prayer
Postlude

Post-Party Activities: If possible, adjourn to another room to close your birthday party with the opening of presents and refreshments—no party is complete without them! If not, conclude in the same room in which the rest of the meeting has been held. Have one large, decorated birthday sheet cake. Have on it *Happy Birthday to Our Church.* It would be fun to have surprises baked in the cake for unsuspecting birthday guests to discover!

Birthday Party Etiquette

1. Ask for a reply to written invitations.
2. Be gracious to your guests.
3. Dress up nicely and act the part!
4. Arrive on time and stay *clear* through.
5. Participate in all that is planned.

Comments by Mrs. Newell Morgan, elementary schoolteacher in Boise, Idaho, and wife of the minister of First Christian Church

Adventure in Friendship

I John 4:7-21

No. 1 in a Series: "Friendship and Courtship"

Senior High-Young People (15-24 Years) **June 17**

OUR AIMS

1. To determine standards for true friendship
2. To explore the limitless possibilities of friendship with Jesus Christ

Suggested Program Outline

Pre-Prayer Service
Hymns: *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms; Jesus Never Fails; I Need Jesus*
Scripture Reading: I John 4:7-21
Sentence Prayers
Special Music
Leader's Introduction
Topic Discussion
Further Discussion (see heading below)
Hymn: *Just As I Am, Thine Own to Be*
Benediction

Suggestions for the Leader

Since this topic is the first in a series on the general theme "Friendship and Courtship," you may wish to relate it to the topic for next week. Consider the differences between friendship and courtship, friends and acquaintances, friendship with the world and with God. In your introduction, draw lines of comparison, showing similarities as well as differences, trying to clarify the identifying marks of each.

Special advance publicity should be prepared, using the theme *Friends* or *Friendship*. Have posters made and displayed. Urge each member to bring some friend who is not a member of the society. Perhaps a survey could be made, either before or after the meeting, in which outsiders could be interviewed, in order that standards of friendship may be determined. Make this entire meeting and its aftermath a real adventure, both in actual friendship and in establishing standards of friendship.

Friend or Acquaintance?

Samuel Johnson once said, "If a man does not make new acquaintances, as he advances through life, he will soon find himself left alone. A man should keep his friendship in constant repair." Life is enjoyable and full as we associate with others. In our mobile and gregarious culture, we make many "friends" that are really but acquaintances. Much of modern business is built upon "contacts," "friends," and "knowing someone who—." Truly we have a multitude of acquaintances, but to all must be applied acid tests before they can rightly be called friends.

Aristotle on one occasion exclaimed, "My friends! There are no friends." There is much truth in this statement, if we follow the common usage of the word, the popular phraseology. We must understand the basic difference between friends and acquaintances. An acquaintance may be anyone we meet in our daily walk, at work or school, at worship or play. He or she may be a "terrific" date, or perhaps a person we have met once casually. There are many degrees of acquaintance. These are not necessarily friends, however. What is the difference? What tests are we to apply to determine the difference?

The Meaning of Friendship

True friendship is of rare quality and of rich depth. Indeed, Ralph Waldo Emerson has gone so far as to say, "A friend may well be reckoned the masterpiece of Nature." There is a world of difference between a friend and a person whom one has merely met and known. Exacting tests must be met, and trials by fire endured, before one can honestly qualify. A friendship is established by faithful association, sometimes by deliberate seeking and cultivation, and always by proven results. Deschamps has given an interesting definition in saying, "Friends, those relations that one makes for one's self."

Frequently the question is asked, "Are there any true friends?" Some are called friends, but in reality do not meet the test, and perhaps should not. Young people are attracted to those who have similar interests, and usually they want many friends. It's popular to be popular. But is it wise? Our friends often determine our habit patterns, and so our characters, and often our reputations. A proper choice is essential. How can one choose friends wisely?

Friendship will flourish best in a favorable climate. That will be found usually in common interests and concerns. It will be found in sharing religious faith and moral standards, social and intellectual levels, common home-life ideals and daily work patterns, hobby trails and life habits. Yet it is not always necessary to agree on all things. General patterns of agreement are essential; specific differences are to be expected and desired. Friends may not always agree, but they should understand each other. (Discuss the benefits to be received from such a relationship.)

The Divine Friend

While we discuss the values of friendships of earth and the adventure of being friends, we must not overlook our eternal relationships. We are told in God's Word that we have a Friend who abideth with us always, closer than a brother of earth. He is the Son of God, who gave Himself for us. "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends" (John 15:13). The Lord Jesus has purchased our friendship along with our redemption on the unfriendly hill of Calvary. He calls us to walk and to talk with Him in a blessed, divine fellowship. hesitate or decline only at immeasu personal loss.

When Christ walked the earth, He many people, but few really knew They misjudged Him, underestimated and misunderstood Him. How few friends He had! Yet those few transfo the world. There are many people t who say they "know" Him, or perhaps they are His "friends." But of how is this true? How can we determine i are really His friends?

If young people today sincerely Jesus as their Friend, we must take to know Him. If we want truly to we will walk with Him daily, that He point the better paths, for He is the All life is an adventure for youth, but an indescribable adventure it is with Life is worthwhile only if we have Hi our divine Friend, whom to know is eternal. In prayer we talk to Him, in ing God's Word He talks to us, in Chri service we work with Him, in the ciplines of love we become like Him.

What Price Friendship?

Friendship has a price. It calls for s fice and understanding and love. Its b fits are in giving as well as recei Voltaire has said, "Virtuous men alone sess friends." Do you agree or disagree this? Why?

To have a friend one must be a fri This is true both in relation to our ea friends and with our eternal Friend. must be true to them, must love them cerely, and must serve them devot What are the rewards of true friends What are the costs?

Further Discussion

Consider together the following q tions and proverbs. Discuss each one oughly and give reasons for agreemen disagreement with it.

1. "A friend to everybody is a frien nobody" (Spanish proverb).
2. "The way to gain a friend is t one" (Michelet).
3. "Be slow in choosing a friend, sl in changing" (Benjamin Franklin).
4. "He will never have true friends is afraid of making enemies" (Hazlitt)
5. "The difficulty is not so great to for a friend as to find a friend worth d for" (Henry Home).
6. "Chance makes our parents, but ch makes our friends" (Delille).
7. "A true friend is one soul in bodies" (Aristotle).
8. "Defend me from my friends; I defend myself from my enemies" (French Ana).
9. "If a man say, I love God, and ha his brother, he is a liar; for he that lo not his brother whom he hath seen, can he love God whom he hath not se (I John 4:20).
10. "Ye are my friends, if ye do wha ever I command you" (John 15:14).

Comments by Dr. Earle W. Gates, ministe First Church of Evans, Derby, New York, immediate past president of the Internat Society

Pictures of Christian Endeavorers be carried currently on the topic pages are u to represent all Christian youth who st these topics in the weekly meetings of th societies.

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ention: Lookout Committee

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m the Lord; and "look out" for the op-
tunities to bring other young people
o the fellowship of your society.

ggested Program Outline

-Prayer Service
mns: *This Is My Father's World; Dear Lord and Father of Mankind*
ripture Readings (Psalm 19:1-6 and I Corinthians 2:9-14) and Bible Study
ntence Prayers
ble Drill: Look up verses with the word "eye" or "eyes" in them. Here is a list with which at least to begin:

Exodus 21:24	Matthew 5:38
Job 42:5	Proverbs 20:12
Ecclesiastes 4:8	Genesis 3:7
Luke 11:34	Amos 9:8
Psalm 32:8	Isaiah 64:4
Matthew 5:29	Jeremiah 24:6
Isaiah 29:18	Psalm 25:15

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When a person has perfect vision, it is
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e eye but perfect sight in the other, he
ay have 200-20 vision. How does our
iritual vision rate? Is it possible for a
dicated Christian to have 20-20 spiritual
sion?

Let us look into and beyond one of our
ripture references (I Corinthians 2:9-14)
see what God's Word says is required
have 20-20 spiritual vision and what
sults it brings.

1. *Read verses 9 and 10.* These verses
dicate that the indwelling of God's Holy
irit is a "must" for the Christian who
ants good spiritual vision.

2. *Read verses 11 and 12.* These verses
sure us that if we have the Holy Spirit
ithin us, we shall know all the things
hich God gives us. Notice that they are
eely given, provided that we meet God's
ndition—receive His Spirit.

3. *Read verse 13.* This verse points out
at we must depend on the Holy Spirit

Do You Need Glasses?

Psalm 19:1-6; I Corinthians 2:9-14

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instead of our own wisdom in order to have good spiritual vision.

4. *Read verse 15.* This may be stated "understandeth all things"; a Christian with perfect spiritual vision understands the things of the Lord.

5. *Read verse 16.* This verse refers to the best result of all for the person with perfect spiritual sight, "the mind of Christ."

Pantomime Studies

These pictures will all ask the question, "Do you need glasses to see . . . ?" Ask a person to be the Reader who can do a good job without stumbling over words. A curtain should be used, even if it is only two blankets held up by four young people between scenes. Ask persons to take part on whom you can depend, and insist on a rehearsal beforehand.

1. Do you need glasses to see God's beautiful creation? *(Have one of your members place a pretty vase of flowers or a picture of a country scene in summertime on a stand or a table and stand back to admire it.)*

READER: We need only to look around us to see the beauty of God in His nature. "The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth His handiwork" (Psalm 19:1) is indeed very true. Our summers should not be so full of just "activity" that we fail to see the beauty God has given all around us. Take time to worship God outdoors in some way this summer.

2. Do you need glasses to see what God has done for you? *(Have a young person standing before a cross placed high so that he can raise his arms toward the cross.)*

READER: We should never face the cross or even look at a cross without realizing anew its significance in our lives. God sent His only Son to be our Saviour from sin. If He had not done this, we would be dead in our sins and headed for eternal condemnation. Let us always realize this through our spiritual eyes and remember it in our hearts.

3. Do you need glasses to see the wonderful light of God's Word? *(Place an open Bible on a table with a lighted candle beside it. Have a young person sitting in a chair beside it, looking toward it.)*

READER: We take God's Word to us for granted. Can we really see what the Word of God means to us? It is "God's written revelation of His Will." It is sixty-six books in one, and contains one central theme, "Man's complete ruin in sin and God's complete remedy in Christ." It is the all-time best seller, written by the hand of thirty-nine authors, all inspired by God to write His Words. Let us "see" all this about the Bible.

4. Do you need glasses to see your own inadequacies? *(Have a young person standing alone, dejectedly, head downcast, arms hanging at his sides.)*

READER: Every day we read that man's intelligence has triumphed and a new discovery has been made. We become very proud of ourselves, thinking we are wonderful. We forget that God has created us, and that without Him, we are nothing at all. We forget that all things come from Him. We forget that we often fall short, are not dependable, make promises and do not keep them, fail to do what we should do and do what we should not. Can we see how far short we fall, how dependent upon the Lord we must be?

5. Do you need glasses to see your opportunity to win others to Jesus Christ? *(Have the same young person from the second pantomime standing before the cross, holding the hand of a second young person, and pointing to the cross with the other hand.)*

READER: Jesus said that the fields are white already to harvest (John 4:35). This means that we must begin to win souls right now! Many young people are in desperate need of knowing Jesus Christ as personal Saviour. As Christians we are "saved to tell others," and these others are in dire need of hearing and knowing—knowing they are sinners *(read Romans 3:23)*, knowing the sinner must die *(read Romans 6:23)*, and finally knowing God has provided a "reprieve" *(read John 3:16)*. We must see this need and help to fulfill it.

6. Do you need glasses to see the need around you? *(Several poorly dressed children with an older young person also poorly dressed to represent their mother, all preferably slight of build, as though they were in need of nourishment, should be huddled together in a corner of the "stage.")*

READER: There are many needs in our own community and the world around that we may help fill—material needs. However, aside from collecting food and clothing when there is a definite need, did you ever consider, or "see" the possibility of acting as a baby sitter or a "mother's helper" for a poor family who could not afford to pay for such things? The challenge (in this as well as all the other scenes we have been watching) is to "look, see, and act!"

These pantomime studies should be followed by a discussion on the part of all, emphasizing the possibilities of carrying out some special lookout projects during the summer.

Comments by Mrs. Richard Cattermole, counselor for the young people's society at Faith Evangelical Congregational Church, Temple, Pennsylvania

All youth are urged to read the Bible reading for each day of the week on page 18 in preparing to participate in their Christian Endeavor meetings on Sunday.

Marked Down!

Proverbs 21:2; Mark 4:21-25

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Suggested Program Outline

Pre-Prayer Service
Prelude: An appropriate wedding march or musical number
Announcements
Leader's Introduction
Hymn: *Give of Your Best to the Master*
Scripture Reading: Proverbs 21:2; Mark 4:21-25
Prayer Hymn: *Have Thine Own Way*
Sentence Prayers
Topic Presentation
Scripture Reading: Genesis 2:18-24
Benediction

Advertising the Meeting

This topic lends itself to clever advertising. Posters resembling modern "sale" advertising could be used. Invitations carrying a sales tag could be sent to members of your society as well as other young people who might like to attend the meeting. Sales signs and price tags could be used as decorations in your meeting room both before and during the meeting.

Background

(for Leader or Resource Person)

In bargain basements and at bargain counters, one finds odd sizes, discontinued lines of stock, and soiled goods all marked down. Quite frequently it turns out that one finds that he gets only what he pays for, rather than the bargain he hopes for.

This is often true in human relationships as well. True friendships usually require some sacrifice. It is also true in marriage and the family. Many young people are not aware of the true price of marriage. Too many teen-agers who are marrying reflect a very unrealistic and glamorized view of marriage.

According to Clark W. Blackburn, the General Director of the Family Service Association of America, almost half of all marriages in the United States involve a teen-ager. *(See * in the Bibliography)* Many of these marriages fail because young people are not prepared to fulfill the responsibilities of marriage. Or at least, they do not find satisfaction or meaning to life in accepting them.

This meeting should concern itself with maintaining Christian ideals of courtship throughout the teen-age period.

Authorities in the field today pretty well agree upon several important things which will make for mature marriage.

First, preparation for marriage begins in childhood. Learning to get along with one's parents and with one's own family contributes greatly to success in one's marriage. Learning to share family responsibilities, to bear frustrations, and to handle one's own impulsive feelings are very important in Christian marriage.

Second, young people who are *active* in the church after sixteen years of age show greater ability to find success in marital adjustment than others. The church gives one assurance that nothing can defeat a couple if both are willing to face the problem with faith in Christ. The grace of God through Christ is sufficient to erase all feelings of resentment and condemnation which otherwise might cause conflict in marriage.

Third, healthy ideas and attitudes about dating behavior are important. Bold intimacy rather than gradual acquaintanceship tends to place young people in a position which ignores the spiritual aspects of love. It substitutes for it an erotic love which cannot endure in the face of life's complexities. Dating a number of people is much better than "going steady" too early in the dating period of life. It requires much more social grace and also the ability to adjust to different temperaments. Those who deal with marital problems find much evidence that social grace and flexibility contribute much to successful marriage.

Ways of Presentation

Plan I

One plan would be to have a panel composed of three or four persons from the group. This group should be appointed well in advance of the meeting and given the general direction that is desired in the discussion. The panel should be composed of both girls and boys. Look for those who could make a lively and stimulating presentation. Each individual presentation should be limited to five or six minutes. The panel members should do some reading such as Chapters 1 and 2 in *Looking Toward Christian Marriage,* Maynard, or Chapters 3, 4, 5, and 21 in *Being Married,* Duvall and Hill. Then the panel should meet and organize the presentation so that each member will know the phase of the subject that he is to present.

The panel should present crucial issues and pertinent facts. This will keep the discussion from being a "pooling of ignorance" rather than the stimulation of genuine thought.

In addition to the joint presentation of the panel, each panel member could prepare some pertinent and stimulating questions to raise for discussion by the other members of the panel or the whole group. There should be a sufficient amount of time for a free discussion by the entire group.

Plan II

A second plan, which might require some creative work and the cooperation of a resource person who is quite skilled in counseling, could be used. This person could be your minister or another mi in the community. In this plan you set up a typical counseling scene in v a couple has come to the minister be they have run into trouble. In his inter he could bring out the points suggeste the above background for the present plus any others which he may feel are tinent. Or a more positive present would be to set up a pre-marital couns session which would serve as a vehicl the presentation of pertinent informa Books which would be helpful are incl in the Bibliography.

Plan III

A third plan would be to plan the n ing around the sound filmstrip "W Should I Marry?" This filmstrip is prod by Family Films, Inc., Hollywood, Cal nia. It is available through many film lets through the United States and Can Accompanying this filmstrip is a ma containing possible uses of the film, a with discussion questions. It is a full ning's program if it is used wisely correctly.

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Take God with You

Acts 17:24-31

No. 2 in a Series: "It's Vacation Time"

June 24 **Junior High** (12-14 Years)

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

1. What new lessons can we hope to learn in the summer?
2. How have the machine and city life lessened our reverence for God and His creation?
3. What modern idols may lead us from God?
4. How can summer activities help us to realize that "in Him we live and move and have our being"?

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To make vacation more than just a of idleness and waste

To find ways to make summer profit- for Christian experiences and spiritual ire

To make vacation time count for God

gested Program Outline

Prayer Service
ide: *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee*
to Worship: Psalm 104:1-4 or Psalm
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n: *Give of Your Best to the Master*
cted Meditation (see below)
ring
p Discussion of Topic
n: *Near to the Heart of God*
ervice of Dedication
ediction

ected Meditation

et us spend a few moments in thinking our need for assurance of God's living sence in our lives—not that we may e material abundance, but that we may ress God's love to others.

n our spiritual quest, we acknowledge need for Thy forgiveness and for inward ce to calm our fears.

et us think of ways we tend to fill our s with useless activities, leaving little m for loving deeds and Christlike rela- is with others.

But in our awareness of our own insuf- ency, our acknowledgment of our need fellowship with One higher, is God's portunity. Amen.

's Make Our Summer Count!

What happens in our church during the mmer? Is it vacation time for everyone o has been working hard during the rest the year? Does our youth program come a grinding halt? Does the church quietly se its doors and hang out a sign saying, ome back next fall"? Do we breathe a ep sigh of relief and sign up for rest?

If *any* of these things is true, then it is ie for a "check-up" for our program. Of urse, activity for activity's sake is not our siness. If we are active in Christian En- avor, it ought to be for a significant pur- se. Whatever is done ought to help ristian Endeavorers to come closer to d and to one another. This is true for nior Highs just as much as for anyone e—and it is no less true during the mmertime than it is at Christmas and ster.

We Junior Highs are growing all the time . . . in wisdom and stature, and in favor th God and man." If we become more are of God's presence at all times and e attention to Christian growth in the mmer, then we will make even our vaca- n time count for God.

n the Good Old Summertime"

When the month of June shows up on e calendar, Junior Highs often develop t faraway look in our eyes. No, we're obably not in love. June means that mmer vacation is not very far away. And mmer vacation usually means no more ncils, no more books, no more teachers . well, you know how it goes. No school *freedom!*

But a word of caution is in order. We ually think it's wonderful to be free from e rules and regulations of school life—at least for a while. However, there are some real problems involved in the creative use of summer. Summer calls for greater variety and less formal activities.

If we do not plan worthwhile and Christian group experiences for the summer, we may begin to hear remarks like, "Gee, it sure is boring around here!" or "Aw shucks, I don't feel like playing tennis again; that's all we ever do!" Such exclamations indicate that maybe complete freedom has its limitations, even for Junior Highs.

Why Not Get Out of Town!

Let's get out of town—or at least out-of-doors during the lovely summer months. Believe it or not, we need outdoor Christian education. What does the outdoors offer to Junior Highs? It holds adventure, relaxation, and better living. The summertime is filled with avenues for learning more about God and experiencing God's grace.

Summertime is a good time to appreciate God's work in the outdoors. Many youth have been robbed of a reverent appreciation of God's handiwork because of the machine and city life. We need to learn to recognize the greatness of God during vacation time.

There are so many wonderful things to do in the good old summertime. Camping, field trips, excursions, picnics, outdoor vesper services, service projects, community recreation, sharing good books, vacation Bible school, and many other activities should enrich our lives and make them more responsive to God.

School sites, parks, camps, farms, gardens, fields, and streams are wonderful backgrounds for learning more about the care and use of God's resources.

Take God with You

Families take two-week or longer vacations. Some go on week-end trips or live in summer cottages. We need fellowship with God and fellow Christians even on these occasions. We need goals. Fellowship with God will lead us to discover worthwhile and meaningful goals for our lives. Without direction life can become an exciting merry-go-round with beautiful trappings and much glitter.

Summertime reading can open doorways into a deeper understanding of the part God plays in our lives, in the lives of others, and in the world. Share good books. Try reading about George Washington Carver and Albert Schweitzer. Lives of such men as these provide much for our thought and discussion.

Do we experience the joy of playing wholeheartedly? Are we awake to the glory of God's world? Such realities will tide us over many wintry days and moods to follow. Families that discover the most usually spend some time apart where there are only God, His creation, and themselves.

Outdoor Ventures in Christian Growth

"A picnic? Let's go!" A well-planned picnic is worthwhile because it can provide for some wholesome, hilarious fun as a group plays and eats together. A meaningful worship service in God's out-of-doors can help to open young lives to God's presence. A campfire and friendship circle can help to cement the bonds of Christian fellowship in a way that is unforgettable.

"Let's take a trip!" Sure, trips are fine for summertime. We should visit other churches. What are the different ways that people worship within fifty or a hundred miles? Are we near a church-related college? Or can we visit one of the inner city parishes or a migrant camp?

Perhaps our group can develop a home-and-home series of meetings and projects with another youth group in a community at some distance from ours. We might introduce our group to the social service agencies which contribute to the welfare of others in our community. How do they illustrate Christ's teachings? A natural history exhibit or planetarium can stimulate appreciation for God's world.

A Service of Dedication

Do we need to recover the deep awareness of God's presence? As Christians we are called to witness to God's love and grace at all times. We cannot evade this unique calling.

Let us join in prayers of adoration, thanksgiving, and confession to God. Let us now read Isaiah 6:1-8. *(Read from Bibles in unison if possible.)* John Wesley instituted the following "covenant service" in England two centuries ago: "O Lord, God, Holy Father, who hast called us through Christ to be partakers in this gracious covenant, we take upon ourselves with joy the yoke of obedience, and engage ourselves, for love of Thee, to seek and do Thy perfect will. We are no longer our own, but Thine."

(Perhaps your group would like to express this covenant after you, as you read it phrase by phrase.)

Comments by Rev. Edgar L. Mack, pastor of St. John African Methodist Episcopal Church, Frankfort, Kentucky, and a writer for the Division of Christian Education of his denomination

Daily Bible Readings for Your Quiet Hour

Here are the daily Bible readings selected for use in connection with the weekly Christian Endeavor topics for June, 1962. These particular selections have been chosen because they give valuable food for thought in connection with the topic for the Sunday to follow.

These readings are grouped together on one page in order that Endeavorers may easily use them. Why not clip out this section and place it in your Bible, ready for your daily Quiet Hour observance.

Junior High (Intermediate) Daily Readings

M. May 28 A Different Person — II Corinthians 5:14-21
T. May 29 A Difference in Actions — Matthew 7:21-23
W. May 30 A Difference in Speech — James 3:2b-14
T. May 31 A Difference in Attitude — James 4:10-17
F. June 1 The Difference Faith Makes — John 8:21-24
S. June 2 An Eternal Difference — Luke 16:19-31
Sun. June 3—Topic: What's the Difference? — James 1:22-27; 2:15-18

M. June 4 The Spirit Promised — John 16:7-16
T. June 5 The Spirit Awaited — Acts 1:12-14
W. June 6 Prophecy Fulfilled — Acts 2:14-21
T. June 7 Peter's New Boldness — Acts 3:12-26
F. June 8 Spirit-filled Leaders — Acts 6:1-8
S. June 9 The Fruit of the Spirit — Galatians 5:22-26
Sun. June 10—Topic: We Celebrate an Anniversary — Acts 2:1-8, 36-41

M. June 11 Jacob Sees God in Time of Fear — Genesis 32:24-30
T. June 12 Job Sees God in His Afflictions — Job 42:1-6
W. June 13 Moses Sees God by Faith — Hebrews 11:24-28
T. June 14 Seeing the Creator — Isaiah 40:26-31
F. June 15 Prayer for Proper Vision — II Kings 6:13-18
S. June 16 Overcoming Blindness — II Corinthians 4:1-6
Sun. June 17—Topic: Do You Need Glasses? — Psalm 19:1-6; I Corinthians 2:9-14

M. June 18 God's Presence with Jacob — Genesis 28:10-15
T. June 19 God's Presence with Israel — Exodus 33:12-17
W. June 20 Separated from God by Idols — Ezekiel 14:1-11
T. June 21 Separated from God by Evil Hearts — Matthew 15:1-9
F. June 22 Called to Fellowship — I Corinthians 1:4-9
S. June 23 Fellowship Through Christ — I John 1:1-7
Sun. June 24—Topic: Take God with You — Acts 17:24-31

Senior High-Young People's Daily Readings

M. May 28 Love of Money — I Timothy 6:9-16
T. May 29 Walk Uprightly — Psalm 15
W. May 30 Bring to God — Malachi 3:7-18
T. May 31 "Holy unto the Lord" — Leviticus 27:30-33
F. June 1 Parable of the Pounds — Luke 19:12-26
S. June 2 Rich Young Ruler — Matthew 19:16-22
Sun. June 3—Topic: Money Tells on You — Mark 12:41-44

M. June 4 Childhood Signpost — II Timothy 2:15-18
T. June 5 Light Along the Way — Psalm 119:105-112
W. June 6 Preparing the Way — John 14:1-6
T. June 7 Inspiration Point — Isaiah 40:28-31
F. June 8 Danger Ahead — Matthew 7:12-14
S. June 9 Dress for Travel — Ephesians 6:10-18
Sun. June 10—Topic: Detours — Psalm 37:1-5

M. June 11 Advantages of Friends — Proverbs 27:6-17
T. June 12 David and Jonathan — I Samuel 20:35-42
W. June 13 Friends of Job — Job 2:11-13
T. June 14 Ruth and Naomi — Ruth 1:6-18
F. June 15 Jesus and Lazarus — John 11:1-16
S. June 16 Fellowship in the Gospel — Philippians 1:1-11
Sun. June 17—Topic: Adventure in Friendship — I John 4:7-21

M. June 18 A False Balance — Proverbs 11:1-6
T. June 19 An Unequal Yoke — II Corinthians 6:14-18
W. June 20 Man and Woman — Genesis 2:21-25
T. June 21 Marriage Is Honorable — Hebrews 13:1-7
F. June 22 Adultery — Mark 10:2-12
S. June 23 Purity of Thought — Philippians 4:8,9
Sun. June 24—Topic: Marked Down! — Proverbs 21:2; Mark 4:21-25

COMING EVENT
For Your Prayer Calend

Here is a list of Christian Endeavor ventions and conferences scheduled t held during the next few months. Reme these events in your daily Quiet Hou

MAY
11-12—New England Regional Conference, tucket, Rhode Island
12—Ontario, Toronto (Junior Convention)
25-27—New Jersey, Camp Hope (Youth Re

JUNE
14-16—Ohio, Steubenville
15-17—Illinois
18-24—Minnesota, Medicine Lake
21-24—Michigan, Zeeland
21-24—Texas, Dallas
22-24—California, Sacramento
23-30—Massachusetts, Northfield (Conferen
25-28—West Virginia, Cameron
26-28—North Carolina, Crestmont Ass Grounds (Junior Conference)
29-July 1—New York, Staten Island

JULY
17-21—North Carolina, Crestmont Ass Grounds (Young People's Confere
21-28—New York, Camp Pinnacle (Junior-J High Summer Assembly)

JUNIOR CE MEETINGS
The Quarterly for Junio

Topics for JUNE
June 3 God's Helpers in the Church — I Samuel 3:1-9, 1
June 10 A Leader Prepares through Praye — Luke 6:1
June 17 A Leader Prepares through Study — II Timothy 1
June 24 A Leader in Action — Nehemiah 2:1

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NEWS
from around the world

art of his Christian Endeavor Week of the West, Bishop Clyde W. Mea- president of the International Society, in California February 7-12. In the Angeles area he spent Wednesday eve- at San Gabriel Union Church, which seven societies, and Thursday evening reception and program at Glendale d Brethren in Christ Church, with rs from the Los Angeles area and ed Brethren churches joining together elcome him. A program and reception arranged by the San Diego Union on ay. All day Saturday and Sunday morn- were spent in the mid-state Executive ting of the California Union, with 100 rs and leaders present. After a rally odesto, Bishop Meadows spent Monday eetings in the Bay area, with Endeav- present from San Jose to Sacramento. Robert Hess, California field secretary, "Youth and leaders alike were im- sed that here was a man of God who in Christian Endeavor a vehicle to be ntily used in our day."

Photo by Rev. Robert Hess

le in California in February the president of International Society, Bishop Clyde W. dows, participated in a program and recep- at Glendale United Brethren in Christ Church. ured are (left to right) host pastor T. W. o, Bishop Meadows, Superintendents Price Hill of the United Brethren Church, and Rev. yne S. Flory, executive field secretary of the Angeles Union.

To stimulate Christian Endeavor activity during the summer months, St. Johns Christian Church of Portland, Oregon, uses their "C Club." According to the minister, Murl M. Jones, this program helps create interest among the youth. "One of the most remarkable accomplishments," says Mr. Jones, "was the attendance of our young people at our midweek Bible study. There were times during the summer when there would be from thirty to thirty-five young people present." To become a member of the club a young person must earn a specified number of points by participation in church and society activities. Five youth received enough points last year for a one-week vacation trip, with a number earning scholarships to church conference or the Oregon Christian Endeavor Convention.

Endeavorers in the New England Region will meet May 11 and 12 at Darlington Congregational Church, Pawtucket, Rhode Island. Rev. Willard Thomen, regional vice-president, has announced that Bishop Clyde W. Meadows, president of the International Society, and the three staff members from Columbus, Ohio, will participate in the sessions. The program opens with a banquet Friday night, followed by the Chicago Close-Up presentation, a message by Bishop Meadows, and a communion service led by Rev. F. Lawson Suetterlein, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Providence, Rhode Island. Saturday's program includes Quiet Hour, workshops, recreation, business session, a report on Christian Endeavor around the world by Harold E. Westerhoff, and closing devotions by Delno W. Brown. Larry Deal is song leader. Rev. Gordon Avery, host church pastor, is conference registrar.

Lieutenant Colonel John Herschel Glenn, Jr., America's first man-in-orbit, is a former Christian Endeavorer, according to an article in PRESBYTERIAN LIFE. Neighbors in his home town of New Concord, Ohio, where he attended Westminster Presbyterian Church, recall that "he was always a leader in such activities as Christian Endeavor." This modern-day hero, from a fine Christian family, is not ashamed of his faith!

Photo by Margaret Reese

This nine-by-four-foot banner was unveiled at the Westmoreland County (Pennsylvania) birthday banquet at Latrobe Church of God. The huge banner was sewn by hand by Mrs. Arlene Rebrick of the host church. It will be used at state and international meetings. Peggy Love of Greensburg is union president.

When Christian Endeavor celebrated its 81st birthday February 2 a letter was received at Headquarters from a Minnesota 81-year-old who joined Christian Endeavor when she was 14. "O, the happy times of those early years!" she says. "I've always been glad I took the pledge. There have been days when I didn't read my Bible—but very few—and then it was an oversight or I recited verses. It has been the *rule of my life*, anyway. I count my early training in Christian Endeavor as a great asset. Christian Endeavor has been *so much* in my life!"

Wilma L. Monroe of Celina, Ohio, writes topic comments for Junior Highs (see page 11). An elementary schoolteacher of remedial reading, Miss Monroe has served on the mission field in Sierra Leone, West Africa. She is a member of Calvary United Brethren Church of Rockford.

nbers of the Executive Committee of the International Society of stian Endeavor are shown as they met in Columbus, Ohio, March 24. At far left is Bishop Clyde W. Meadows, president, who was the ured speaker at a local rally on Saturday night, attended by ap- imately 300.

Participating in the Adult Work Committee meeting at Christian Endeavor Headquarters at Columbus February 23 are (left to right) Delno W. Brown, educational secretary of International Society; Phyllis G. Brown; Dr. Earle W. Gates, chairman; Joan Pyle; and Jay Sheffield.

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